

Naval Postgraduate School
Office of the Associate Provost and Dean of Research

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Subj: GENERAL POLICY FOR RESEARCH AT THE NAVAL POSTGRADUATE
SCHOOL IN FY03

1. General Policy: Research is an important and integral part of any graduate education institution. It is expected that all research projects should support the School's mission.
2. It is the purpose of the Office of the Associate Provost and Dean of Research to:
 - develop an overall research investment strategy that ensures a high quality, creative learning experience for NPS graduate students.
 - encourage faculty and student pursuit of new discoveries and applications which enhance the long term effectiveness of the armed forces.
 - stimulate interactions between NPS faculty and a wide variety of potential research sponsors (Government, Universities, Private Industry).
 - publicize (both internally and externally) significant achievements of the NPS research program and market NPS research capabilities.
 - support initiatives to improve the quality and relevance of our research laboratories.
 - encourage interdisciplinary research and maintain an appropriate balance between basic and applied research and between unclassified and classified research.
 - assist faculty and students in the achievement of their research program.
 - encourage research interactions with operational forces.
3. Reimbursable (Sponsored) Research: All sponsored research activities in the graduate schools and research and education institutes must be supported by an approved proposal. (See NAVPGSCOLINST 3900.1C for complete guidance on the academic and research reimbursable program at NPS).
4. NPS Institutionally Funded Research (NIFR): Consistent with the mission and strategic objectives of the Naval Postgraduate School, the goals of the NIFR Program are to:
 - Underwrite the research initiation support of all new tenure-track faculty during their first two years if reimbursable research funds are not available
 - Support the recapitalization of major research equipment
 - Leverage internal funds through selective, cost-shared support of post-doctoral programs
 - Leverage support for a Fleet-responsive interactive Desk
5. Center for Defense Technology and Education for the Military Services (CDTEMS): CDTEMS is a congressionally mandated program that capitalizes on the unique assets of NPS: a joint and international student body with operational knowledge and skills,

faculty with expertise in military systems and operations, and our close proximity to other major universities, government laboratories, the Fleet, and Silicon Valley.

CDTEMS addresses the long-term impact of emerging technologies on successful joint warfighting, the effects of homeland defense and homeland security requirements on the required technologies and on national defense strategy, and the education requirements of the military forces to effectively utilize these emerging technologies and strategies.

It accomplishes its mission through (1) focused support within the three NPS Institutes on interdisciplinary projects, (2) innovative new activities which involve students and faculty working with operational forces, and (3) student research programs that encourage their participation in innovative projects which seek to solve emerging technology issues for the joint forces.